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That makes the careful housewife worry. Get the best for the least money by trading with us; we offer

2 pounds Fard Dates for	25c
2 pounds Richelieu Prunes, extra large	25c
2 pounds extra Evaporated Apples	25c
Fancy Muir Evaporated Peaches per pound	15c
2 packages Richelieu Currents for	25c
Richelieu Cream Horseradish for game, fish and salads, its fine, per bottle	25c
Try a bottle of Batavia Salad Dressing, per bottle	35c

Received March 24th a shipment of Dozier's Cakes, Crackers, Etc.

12 varieties of Cakes to select from per pound	25c
Graham Crackers, per package	10c
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A fine assortment of Imported Sardines, in Olive Oil, A La Tomato, Dandioille and Gaudins, Royans A La Vatet, Royans A La Bordelaise. The above are exceptional values for the money, 3 cans for 50c.	

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Patronize our Home Tailor and keep money at home. I guarantee Fit and Finish.

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"Old Liza" DRAY LINE, F. A. Lee, Proprietor. Good drays and polite draymen, prompt and careful work, are the claims upon which we solicit a share of your business in the future. Thanking those who have favored me in the past and hoping to continue to please them I am respectfully,

F. A. LEE.

BOTHA THE BOER HERO

The Victor in the Battles at Colenso and Spion Kop.

HAS ONLY FEW MEN.

With Three Hundred Men He Killed and Wounded Over One Thousand British, with a Loss of Less Than Half His Force.

New York, March 30.—The World correspondent writing from Pretoria March 7, says:

"The Boer hero for the first four months of the war is Louis Botha, the victor of Colenso and Spion kop and the youngest general in the Republican armies. Already he is being mentioned as a possible candidate for the presidency.

"Total Boer force engaged in the fight at Spion kop was not more than 350, while the British force was no less than 2000 and probably twice that number. Botha did not seem to be proud of his victory but spoke only of the bravery of the British soldiers and of the injustice of the war which made such a slaughter necessary.

"The morning after the battle General Botha personally counted the dead bodies and found 650 of them scattered around the hill. Wounded left on the



GENERAL BOTHA

hill all night were 500 and these he sent back the following morning. On the other side of the hill no less than 150 British were killed. Loss on the Boer side were 50 killed and 120 wounded.

"The Boer army thus far has been strengthened by about 3000 men who have come into the country through Delagoa bay since the war began. Three thousand is a low estimate, but the exact number cannot be ascertained even from the war office here which is willing to tell almost anything concerning the conduct of war. This large body of men have been recruited chiefly from Europe where sympathy for the Boers is second only to hate for the English, but many men come from America and even Australia."

TRIBUTE TO JOUBERT.

A New Yorker Tells of the Qualities of the Boer Leader.

New York, March 30.—Robert B. Roosevelt in an interview upon the death of General Joubert said:

"I fear that his death will be a very great loss to the Boers at this time. It seems to me that he was their ablest general. I think he understood the resources of the British and the best method of fighting the British more thoroughly than any other Boer general."

"General Joubert was in New York about nine years ago and was a guest at my house. I gave a reception in his honor and became quite well acquainted with him. He was a man of medium height and stout build and not well educated. He possessed a large amount of what we sometimes call hard common sense. He was accompanied by his wife and we had far greater difficulty in understanding her than we did Joubert. He could speak English fairly well. His errand to this country was to stimulate trade between the United States and the Transvaal. It will do no harm to say now that he also wanted to buy a battleship. That much I learned from him in conversation. I think he must have given up the idea, for I did not hear anything more of it after he went away. He was in New York about two weeks and went from here to Holland.

"It was after he went back, I think, that he gave a marked illustration of the manner of the man he was. The Boers had successfully brought to a close a short war with the Basutos, and there was a clamor on the part of many of the leading Boers to appropriate Basutoland. General Joubert came out emphatically against the scheme, saying that it would be breaking faith with the English and he even went so far as to threaten to resign from the army if Basutoland were annexed."

MASSING OF BOERS.

Concentrating Near Glen and Are Evi-

dently Preparing for Roberts.

London, March 30.—The Boers are concentrating in force about 15 miles north of Bloemfontein, in the rear of Glen, and General Roberts is sending forward troops to engage them. The Seventh infantry division and part of General French's cavalry have been sent up to join the Fourteenth brigade and the two cavalry regiments that are holding Glen and its environments.

It does not seem probable that the Boers will give serious battle in the fairly open country north of Glen. Still, their evident strength indicates more than a corps of observation.

In small affairs the Boers are daringly aggressive in all parts of the field of war. The Johannesburg mounted police, esteemed by the Boers to be their best mounted commando, are raiding the country near Bloemfontein, harrassing the farmers who have given up their arms to the British and carrying off the cattle.

The Boers have reoccupied Campbell and are in strength near Taungs and Barkly West. They shelled the British camp at Warrenton Wednesday, but moved out of range that night. Thursday two British guns enfiladed the Boer trenches quieting their Mansers.

General Methuen and the forces that had been operating in the Barkly district have been recalled to Kimberley by Gen. Roberts. No explanation has been given for this, but the mounted troops are dissatisfied at having been ordered back.

Boers Successful.

Pretoria, March 30.—A dispatch from Fourteen Streams, north of Warren-ton, in Cape Colony, says that the Boers on March 19 opened a bombardment on the British camp there and that the British replied feebly, evacuating the place during the night.

Death of General Joubert.

Pretoria, March 30.—General Joubert was taken ill Sunday morning and died Tuesday night. He was at his office on Saturday. He suffered great pain, but became unconscious some time before his death. The complaint was acute inflammation of the bowels.

The body lay in state yesterday and was taken by special train to the farm at Rustfontein, near Walkerstroom, where it will be buried quietly, as Joubert often requested, and without military honors.

Sympathy From Queen Victoria.

London, March 30.—Queen Victoria has cabled General Roberts asking him to convey to Mrs. Joubert, widow of General Joubert, her sympathy at the death of her husband and tell her that the British people always regarded the dead general as a gallant soldier and an honorable man.

ALMOST AT WAR.

Nicaragua, San Salvador and Costa Rica Mixed up in a Row.

New York, March 30.—A dispatch from Managua, Nicaragua, says:

There is no longer room for doubt that an outbreak of hostilities may occur at any moment between Nicaragua on one hand and Costa Rica and Salvador on the other. An offensive and defensive alliance exists between the latter governments and Nicaragua by attacking one of the republics will be forced to fight both. Extraordinary preparations on the part of the Nicaraguan government for months seem to portend war with Salvador and Costa Rica.

The arrival here of the United States cruiser Philadelphia and a report that British cruiser Psyche has sailed from Kingston in response to a request from the British consul indicate that the consuls are well aware of the strained relations between the republics and are exerting all efforts to protect British and American interests.

The attitude of Honduras in the crisis with Nicaragua and the neighboring republics is uncertain.

The effect of war upon the construction of the Nicaragua canal and the relations between that government and the United States is problematical. A complete overthrow of the present government might result from the hostilities. It is understood that President Zelaya, while most friendly and cordial in the reception of Americans, declined to commit his government until the United States is fully prepared to act. No terms have been stated relative to the right of way and the right to protect and fortify the entrance to the canal.

Japanese Immigrants on the Pacific.

San Francisco, March 30.—Workmen in this state are becoming alarmed over the steadily increasing number of Japanese immigrants. It is stated since January, 1899, no less than 3420 laborers from Japan have arrived in this country and the immigration bureau is informed that 1400 more are due here by April 7. According to Labor Commissioner North 7000 passports have been obtained in Japan for laborers intending to come to this country.

A Small Verdict.

Pittsburg, March 30.—The jury in the case of Assistant District Attorney Billows, a negro, against William J. McCarthy, a prominent restaurant keeper, who refused to serve a meal to Billows and a companion, Congressman White

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THE AMERICAN LAUNDRY

Guarantees to do strictly first-class work promptly and at reasonable prices. We cheerfully correct all mistakes when called to our attention. Drop us a postal or 'phone 141 and we will get your bundle and appreciate your patronage. Two doors south of Exchange hotel.

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Etc.

Leave orders at Wilcox's Blacksmith shop, or the Bryan Eagle office. All work promptly done.

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DEE MIKE, JR.,
'phone 55.

I have just received a fresh shipment of Doziers' Cakes and Crackers. Also a fresh shipment of Blanke & Bros'. Chocolate Candies. I have a few barrels of Seed Irish Potatoes as follows: Jackson, White, Peerless, Burbanks and Early Rose that I will sell at Rock bottom prices as long as they last—come early as they won't last long.

Yours to please,

JOHN CHANCY KERNOLE,

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The Eagle is authorized to announce
L. BONNEVILLE
as a candidate for alderman at the ensuing city election.

The Eagle yesterday mailed petitions to the postoffice department at Washington, from citizens of Bryan, Tabor, Edge and Macy, asking for the establishment of a daily mail service between Bryan and Macy, via Tabor, and Edge. This is a convenience that the citizens in the northern part of the county stand greatly in need of and are entitled to. Edge and Macy have at present no direct mail from Bryan, but are both served from Hearne. It takes from three to five days for a letter mailed at Edge to reach Bryan, as it has to go to Macy, by a two-times a week mail route, and from Macy goes to Hearne by a daily mail route with a stop over at Wheelock. The Eagle sent a representative up to that country who worked up petitions at Macy, Edge and Tabor, and then worked up one at Bryan. It is to be hoped that relief will come soon as possible.

J. B. Sawtelle of Waco, was a passenger on the noon train yesterday.

Mr. Sawtelle organized the Maccabees here several years ago, and has just added seventeen new members to the Maccabees lodge in Navasota.

Navasota is improving her streets by the use of gravel.

Smoke Metropolitan cigars sold at Exposition Saloon. df.

Lemps Bottled beer is what you want if you want the best. 109

Mrs. John Henseler of Wellborn visited Bryan yesterday.

Drink Mount Vernon Pure Rye at the Exposition saloon. 160f

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Mrs. D. A. Lawrence and Mrs. J. M. Lawrence will have a tea for the Methodist church at the residence of Mrs. G. S. Parker Friday afternoon, March 30th from 3 to 6 o'clock. Admission ten cents. All are invited.

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The Failla murder case was given to the jury, but no verdict was returned last night.

For Rent—Nice large cottage convenient to school and business. Apply to R. S. Webb. 106

B. B. Lloyd was here from Reliance yesterday. Mr. Lloyd has a very sick child.

House for rent near Main street. Apply to J. W. Coulter. 103

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The New Spring Styles in
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FAMOUS SHOES.



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The Carnell, the Baltimore, and the Dewey, in black and chocolate, the black vice calf that will not skin up; light tan and oxblood Russa Calf, Patent Leather and Patent Vien that will not crack. All the new Spring creations of the shoe makers are being shown by us in the

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The leading high grade shoe of America.

Parks & Waldrop,
MENS OUTFITTERS.

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The Eagle is authorized to announce
T. S. HENDERSON
as a candidate for Congress from the
Seventh congressional district.

FOR STATE SENATOR.

The Eagle is authorized to announce
JOHN A. WAYLAND
as a candidate for re-election to the office of State Senator from the Twelfth senatorial district, composed of the counties of Limestone, Freestone, Robertson and Brazos, subject to the action of the democratic nominating convention.

The Eagle is authorized to announce
J. R. ASTIN
as a candidate for the office of state senator from the Twelfth senatorial district, composed of the counties of Limestone, Freestone, Robertson and Brazos, subject to the action of the democratic nominating convention of said district.

The Eagle is authorized to announce
DR. J. L. FOUNTAIN
as a candidate for representative in the legislature from the Fifty fifth representative district.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

We are authorized to announce
DR. J. L. FOUNTAIN
as a candidate for representative in the legislature from the Fifty fifth representative district.

FOR MAYOR.

We are authorized to announce
J. S. MOORING
as a candidate for Mayor of the City of Bryan at the ensuing April election.

The Eagle is authorized to announce
DR. R. H. HARRISON
as a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor of Bryan at the ensuing city election in April.

FOR ALDERMAN.

The Eagle is authorized to announce
E. J. FOUNTAIN
as a candidate for alderman of Bryan at ensuing city election in April.

The Eagle is authorized to announce
CHARLES F. KNOBLAUCH
as a candidate for alderman at the ensuing April election.

THE AWARD IS MADE.

The Delagoa Bay Railroad Seizure
Settled by Arbitration.

COST TO PORTUGAL.

The United States and Great Britain
Are to Be Paid 15,314,000
Frances—Unfavorable Com-
ment by London Papers.

Lisbon, March 30.—The Berne award has been made in the Delagoa Bay railroad, which has been under consideration for months. The court rejects all demands in favor of a final inquiry. It declines also to separate the judgment on the principal object of litigation from that dealing with the indemnity due for the territory in question. On the other hand the court decides to deliver forthwith its definite decree on the main question and to communicate to the parties an authentic copy of its essential points, the complete decree, with a recital of the reasons, to follow after a short period.

The court, consisting of three members present, unanimously returned and filed its decree in the following terms:

1. The Portuguese government, as the defending party, is condemned to pay to the government of the United States and to Great Britain, the claimants, altogether in addition to the £28,000 paid on account of 1890, the sum of 15,214,000 francs in legal Swiss money, with simple interest on this sum at the rate of 5 per cent per annum from June 1, 1890, up to date of payment of said sum.

2. This sum, after deducting what is necessary to defray the cost of arbitration falling on the claimants and in addition to the balance of £28,000 paid on account in 1890, shall be employed in the payment of bondholders and other creditors, if there is need, of the Delagoa Bay Railway company according to their standing. The claimants will draw up a scale of distribution for this purpose. The Portuguese government will have to pay into the hands of the government of the United States the sum which, according to said scale, shall accrue to McMurdo, represented by said government in her equality of bondholder of the first and second degree. It will pay the surplus to the government of Great Britain for the benefit of all others having rights.

3. The delay of six months fixed by the last line of clause 4 of the arbitration compromise shall run from this day forth.

4. The costs of the arbitration, according to a scale to be drawn up in accordance with clause 5 of the arbitration compromise, will be borne in equal parts by the three parties to the suit, that is to say, a third part by each of them.

5. The conclusions of the parties in so far as they differ from the above award, are set aside.

6. An authentic copy of the award will be delivered through the intermediary of the Swiss federal council to each of the three parties to the case.

London Press Comment.

London, March 30.—Newspapers comment on the Delagoa Bay railroad award in severe terms. They intone that the hand of President Kruger is shown in the decision. They are in unison that the award of only £600,000 for a concession worth at least £6,000,000 is out of all proportion.

Moyses Trial Goes Over.

New Orleans, March 30.—Julius Moyses, the bogus Captain Clark, who married Bertha Wernken several weeks ago, appeared for trial before Judge Parham Thursday on the charge of impersonating a government officer. He was unattended by counsel, Judge Whitaker having withdrawn from the case. The trial went over until next Monday and the court appointed a lawyer to represent Moyses.

Fight with Desperadoes.

Gallup, N. M., March 30.—A bloody battle between a sheriff's posse and a gang of desperadoes occurred near Navajo Springs, 60 miles west of Gallup on Wednesday, in which two of the posse, Gibbons and Frank Lesure, were killed. Three escaped and are being followed.

The gang had been stealing cattle in various parts of the country.

Campbell Makes Dental.

Cincinnati, March 30.—Colonel T. C. Campbell, in an interview here denied the story that Goebel was shot by the same feudists who is showed to have killed Tom Baker in Clay county, Kentucky. He confirmed many reports regarding the alleged confession of W. H. Culton.

Fire on a Steamer.

New York, March 30.—Fire here did \$15,000 damage to the steamship Old Dominion, owned by the Joy Steamship company, lying at her pier in East river.

The Old Dominion which was formerly owned by the Old Dominion Steamship company, plies between New York and Boston.

Fire at South McAlester.

South McAlester, I. T., March 30.—The grand Avenue hotel and several smaller buildings were destroyed Thursday night by fire. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

Jester Trial Postponed.

New London, Mo., March 30.—The case of Alexander Jester was called in the Ralls county circuit court Monday. Judge Eby reset the case for July 9.

REFUTES A STATEMENT.

No Money Yet Paid for Confessions in the Goebel Assassination.

Frankfort, March 30.—Ex-Chief Justice James H. Lewis, chairman of the commission selected by the legislature to have charge of the Goebel reward fund, made the following statement concerning the story sent out from Winchester that Attorney James Andrew Scott proposed to the relatives of H. E. Youtsey to give him a portion of the reward money for a confession of the details of the conspiracy to assassinate Governor Goebel:

"The money appropriated by the legislature," said he, "to be used in running down the assassins of Governor Goebel and in bringing them to justice, will be distributed as provided at the first meeting of the reward commission, so much for the assassination and so much for the conviction of each accessory. The preliminary is in the hands of the commonwealth's attorney of Franklin, and no private citizen has authority from him or from the commission to offer rewards for confessions of alleged accessories. Not a cent of the \$100,000 has yet been spent, and I think you can safely say not a dollar of it will be paid for confessions."

MORE ARRESTS.

Dick Combs and Others Must Answer for Goebel Murder.

Frankfort, March 30.—The scene of interest in hunting down the persons suspected of complicity in the assassination of Governor Goebel has shifted to other points in the state. All of the detectives and others who have been working on the case have gone, leaving affairs here to be watched after by the local officers. All kinds of rumors are afloat as to who they are after.

The arrest of "Tallow" Dick Combs, the negro, at Beattyville, on an old capias from the Clark circuit court, it is understood, may be followed later by a warrant charging him with complicity in the Goebel murder. The arrest on the old capias was for the purpose of preventing him from getting away in case he is wanted.

Governor Taylor has gone to his old home in Butler county to attend the funeral of his sister, and the other Republican state officers, with the exception of Secretary of State Powers, are at their homes, leaving the state building in charge of deputies and clerks. Gov. Beckham and all the Democratic state officers are at their offices in the Capitol hotel.

After another day of fruitless search for bondsmen, Captain John Davis, charged with complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel, is still behind the

bars at the county jail. His friends say that he could secure the bond were it not that men qualified as his bondsmen do not want their names connected with the case.

Culton's Father Incensed.

Richmond, Ky., March 30.—Rev. J. N. Culton, father of W. H. Culton, charged with being accessory to the murder of Goebel, is deeply incensed at what he declares is an attempt to drag his son into an alleged conspiracy. He received from his son a telegram saying: "I have made no confession. I have nothing to confess."

THE FRENCH WIN.

In a Battle With Arabs More Than 600 Killed and Wounded.

Paris, March 30.—Official account has been issued of the victory of the French troops over the Arab army at Inrar, which assembled with the object of attacking the French expedition which recently occupied the oasis of Insalah, to the southwest of Algeria. The French learned of the intention and decided to storm the enemy's position, which was successfully carried on March 19 by a column led by Lieutenant Colonel Eu. The town was first bombarded and then stormed the Arab warriors making their last stand in the mosque. They left 600 men killed 100 wounded on the field. In addition 450 prisoners were taken. The French losses were nine native soldiers killed 348 wounded and two officers were wounded.

Old Cotton Merchant Dead.

New York, March 30.—Carl F. Eglinger, formerly a well known cotton merchant, is dead at his home in this city, aged 57 years. He had been president of the Mobile and New Orleans Cotton exchanges and a member of the Savannah exchange, and later was connected with a cotton export house in New York.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Mrs. Langtry will not be permitted to produce her play, "The Degenerates," at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Revolutionists are causing the government of Venezuela much trouble. Fighting reported at several points.

Captain H. M. Ward, who killed Michael Nelligan at Galveston, Tex., during the squadron's visit to that city, has been indicted for murder.

The state convention of the Texas Protective association will meet at Austin, Tex., on April 5.

Barlow Redden shot Harry Ramer to death in a fight near Muldrow, I. T. Both were boys under 14.

Tom Johnson, a negro boy, was given five years in the pen at Nacogdoches, Tex., for assaulting a 12-year-old negro girl.

J. K. Cowan is president of the National Sound Money league in place of J. Sterling Morton, resigned.

J. F. Griggs was found dead near Barnesville, Tex. His throat was cut and in his hand was a razor.

No More Arrests.

Frankfort, March 30.—There are no new developments in the Goebel assassination case, although the air yesterday was filled with rumors of more arrests and other new phases. It was reported that a prominent man who was supposed to be at Winchester would be arrested, but dispatches from Winchester say that the suspected man is not there and that no arrest has been made at that point.

It is claimed that the statement made by W. H. Culton to the attorneys for the prosecution involved this suspected man, he having been named by Sergeant Golden in his testimony last Saturday, as one of the promoters of the movement which resulted in bringing the mountaineers here.

There was unusual activity among the local civil officers, but if any new warrants of arrest have been taken out they have been kept secret.

Accidentally Kills Himself.

Tyler, Tex., March 30.—H. C. Fasel of this city accidentally shot himself with a pistol that he was attempting to remove from under a pillow at the head of his bed. The hammer of the pistol caught in the pillow which caused it to fire, the ball passing through his bowels and lodging in the backbone. He died in a few minutes.

BEST IN THE WORLD.

United States to Build Three Cruisers of Unsurpassed Qualities.

Washington, March 30.—No warships of such fighting power have ever before been planned abroad or at home as the three cruisers whose details have just been practically completed by the admirals of the naval construction board. They are really the most formidable battleships with the speed and staying power of an ocean liner. Never has such a tremendous battery been mounted afloat as the California, the Nebraska and the West Virginia will carry. Sixty-five fixed guns constitute their armament, and their magazines are to hold 400 tons of ammunition.

The board has given these ships 13,000 tons displacement, 23 knots speed and with coal bunker capacity of 2000 tons, a steaming radius of 7000 miles. They will be the only ships in the navy literally armored all over, their protection extending from below the water line, above the entire superstructure. In appearance they will mark a notable departure from existing cruisers and battleships of their class, in that they will stand much higher out of the water, giving better distribution of batteries and quarters and making them most impressive.

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